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INFO AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN

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SUBJECT: SWEDISH AMBASSADOR- DESIGNATE TO U. S. REASSIGNED TO OSLO.

OTHER AMBASSADORIAL APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED

SUMMARY: MFA CONFIRMS THAT YNGVE MOLLER, SWEDISH AMBASSADOR-
DESIGNATE TO WASHINGTON, WILL BE ASSIGNED TO OSLO.

AMBASSADOR TO OSLO DICK HICHENS BERGSTROM TO BE REASSIGNED
TO ROME, REPLACING AMBASSADOR BRYNOLF ENG WHO IN TURN
WILL GO TO MOSCOW TO REPLACE AMBASSADOR GUNNAR JARRING
WHO WILL RETIRE. PRESS COMMENTS ON MOLLER' S REASSIGN-
MENT TO EFFECT THAT US- SWEDISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WILL
REMAIN FROZEN UNTIL AFTER SEPTEMBER RIKSDAG ELECTIONS OR
EVEN LONGER. END SUMMARY.

1. MFA HAS CONFIRMED THE FOLLOWING CHANGES IN AMBASSA-
DORIAL ASSIGNMENTS TO BE MADE OFFICIAL BY GOVERNMENT
JUNE 29. AMBASSADOR- DESIGNATE (TO WASHINGTON) YNGVE
MOLLER APPOINTED TO OSLO, AMBASSADOR TO NORWAY DICK
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HICHENS BERGSTROM REASSIGNED TO ROME, AMBASSADOR TO ROME BYNOLF ENG ASSIGNED TO MOSCOW TO REPLACE AMBASSADOR GUNNAR JARRING WHO WILL RETIRE THIS FALL.

2. NEWS STORIES AND EDITORIAL APPEARING AS RESULT THIS ANNOUNCEMENT HAVE EMPHASIZED THE MOLLER SHIFT FROM WASHINGTON TO OSLO, REPLAYING THE STOCKHOLM-WASHINGTON DIPLOMATIC ESTRANGEMENT. COMMENTING ON THIS QUESTION AND PARTICULARLY ON REPORTS THAT USG WAITING FOR OUTCOME OF SWEDISH RIKSDAG ELECTIONS IN SEPTEMBER (WITH EXPECTATION OF A SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC DEFEAT) BEFORE CONSIDERING A NORMALIZATION OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS, GOTEBORG' S HANDELS- OCH SJOFARTS-TIGNING EDITORIALIZED JUNE 25 " THE QUESTION INSTEAD WILL BE WHETHER SUCH NORMALIZATION WILL NOT WAIT UNTIL THE NEXT PRESIDENTIAL CHANGE IN U. S."

3. AMBASSADOR MOLLER REPORTED TO BE SATISFIED WITH HIS NEW POSTING. HE TOLD PRESS THAT HE REGRETS THE SITUATION WHICH LED TO THIS APPOINTMENT, BUT THAT THE GOVERNMENT FOUND IT INTOLERABLE BOTH POLITICALLY AND FOR HIM PERSONALLY TO KEEP HIM IN LIMBO ANY LONGER.

4. MFA PRESS SPOKESMAN TOLD EMBOFF THAT IT HAS NOT YET BEEN DECIDED WHETHER JARRING WOULD CONTINUE AS CONSULTANT TO MFA FOLLOWING HIS RETIREMENT, AS REPORTED IN PRESS.

5. PRESS SPOKESMAN ALSO TOLD EMBOFF THAT CHANGES WOULD TAKE PLACE DURING FALL.
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